REMARKS

Claims 1-20 were previously pending in the application and were rejected. By this Amendment, Applicant re-presents the claims in an amended form. However, this has been done by cancelling original claims 1-20 and adding new claims 21-34. Particularly, claim 21 is the only independent claim in the application and is a substitute for original claim 1. New claim 22 corresponds to original claim 3. New claim 23 corresponds to original claim 4. New claims 24-33 correspond to original claims 9-18. New claim 34 corresponds to original claim 20.

The claims have been amended in view of the §101 and §112 rejections which should now be withdrawn.

Applicant traverses the rejection of original claims 1-20, now claims 21-34, as anticipated on Anand U.S. Patent No. 5,832,946.

New claim 21 specifies a computer-based system for high level summary of business results to target scarce business resources at business change. The system comprises a single screen; means to assimilate static data into the system; means to assimilate balance data into the system; means to provide mapping of and a normalised structure of said data as a summary report; means to provide a summary and audit reports as a sign-off report; means to produce a separate report for each of a group of high level groupings; and means to trigger bench-mark calculations which check the said reports for

mapping changes and which are reviewed by a user of the system using the single screen, whereby to provide an analysis of a business comprising a relational data base management system and a visual basic front-end.

Anand does not anticipate claim 21. Anand discloses a system and method for performing intelligent analysis of a computer database using a client computer, a serve computer and a database computer. The database computer executes a database management program. The client computer is coupled with a server computer and executes an application program which allows a user to define predetermined data types inter alia. This is a complex system requiring three computers.

The present invention comprises a single computer system which provides for a user, a relational data base management system and a visual basic front end which is accessed as a single screen carrying all data after respective iterations. Anand does not disclose such a system as claimed, particularly a system including means to trigger bench-mark calculations which check reports for mapping changes and which are reviewed by a user of the system using a single screen.
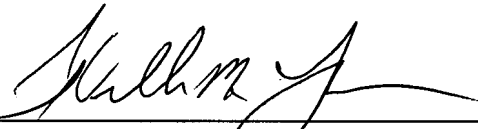
Because Anand does not disclose each and every element of claim 21, arranged as in the claim, there is no anticipation.

Claims 22-34 depend from claim 21 and are likewise not anticipated.

Reconsideration of application and allowance and passage to issue are requested.

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